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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:
(PH)

***AN ACT CONCERNING COLLABORATIVE FUNDING AGREEMENTS
AND THE STEM CELL RESEARCH PROGRAM.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 19a-32e of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2012*):

3 (a) There is established the "Stem Cell Research Fund" which shall
4 be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General Fund. The fund
5 may contain any moneys required or permitted by law to be deposited
6 in the fund and any funds received from any public or private
7 contributions, gifts, grants, donations, bequests or devises to the fund.
8 The Commissioner of Public Health may (1) make grants-in-aid from
9 the fund in accordance with the provisions of subsection (b) of this
10 section, or (2) enter into agreements with other entities, including, but
11 not limited to, states or foreign countries, to advance research
12 collaboration opportunities for a recipient of a grant-in-aid.

13 (b) [Not later than June 30, 2006, the] The Stem Cell Research
14 Advisory Committee established pursuant to section 19a-32f shall
15 develop an application for grants-in-aid under this section for the

16 purpose of conducting embryonic or human adult stem cell research
 17 and may receive applications from eligible institutions for such grants-
 18 in-aid on and after said date. The Stem Cell Research Advisory
 19 Committee shall require any applicant for a grant-in-aid under this
 20 section to conduct stem cell research to submit (1) a complete
 21 description of the applicant's organization, (2) the applicant's plans for
 22 stem cell research and proposed funding for such research from
 23 sources other than the state of Connecticut, and (3) proposed
 24 arrangements concerning financial benefits to the state of Connecticut
 25 as a result of any patent, royalty payment or similar rights developing
 26 from any stem cell research made possible by the awarding of such
 27 grant-in-aid. Said committee shall direct the Commissioner of Public
 28 Health with respect to the awarding of such grants-in-aid after
 29 considering recommendations from the Stem Cell Research Peer
 30 Review Committee established pursuant to section 19a-32g.

31 (c) Commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, and for
 32 each of the nine consecutive fiscal years thereafter, until the fiscal year
 33 ending June 30, 2015, not less than ten million dollars shall be available
 34 from the Stem Cell Research Fund for grants-in-aid to eligible
 35 institutions for the purpose of conducting embryonic or human adult
 36 stem cell research, as directed by the Stem Cell Research Advisory
 37 Committee established pursuant to section 19a-32f and in accordance
 38 with the provisions of section 19a-32d. Any balance of such amount
 39 not used for such grants-in-aid during a fiscal year shall be carried
 40 forward for the fiscal year next succeeding for such grants-in-aid.

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: | | |
| Section 1 | October 1, 2012 | 19a-32e |

Statement of Purpose:

To authorize the Commissioner of Public Health to enter into an agreement with other states and foreign countries to advance stem cell research opportunities.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]